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In accordance with 35 U.S.C. 371 and in further response to a Notification of Missing Sir: Requirements issued on June 24, 1999 in the above application, Applicant submits the following:

- A Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for a Five Month Extension of the July 24, 1999 Due Date for Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements, including 1. payment of the fee for same under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a);
- An executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application by the sole 2. named inventor, Fritz Schwertfeger;
- Associate Power of Attorney (37 C.F.R. 1.34); and 3.
- A copy of Notification of Missing Requirements. 4.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$130.00 large entity surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date, under 37 C.F.R. 1.492(e) and to charge any other required fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this filing to **Deposit Account No. 19-0733**.

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